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SUBJECT: WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE - RESOLUTION ON POLICY FOR
FOOD AID

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF DRAFT RESOLUTION VIII AS AGREED TO IN
COMMITTEE II DRAFTING COMMITTEE IN WHICH USDEL PARTICIPATED.
TEXT WILL BE REFERRED TO FULL COMMITTEE THIS AFTERNOON FOR
APPROVAL.

BEGIN TEXT. DRAFT RESOLUTION VIII (REVISED)

AN IMPROVED POLICY FOR FOOD AID

THE WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE,

RECOGNIZING THAT, WHILE THE ULTIMATE SOLUTION TO

THE PROBLEM OF FOOD SHORTAGES IN DEVELOPING

COUNTRIES LIES IN INCREASED PRODUCTION IN THESE COUNTRIES,

DURING THE INTERIM PERIOD FOOD AID

ON GRANT BASIS AND ANY

ADDITIONAL FOOD TRANSFERS ON CONCESSIONAL OR AGREED UPON

TERMS TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WILL CONTINUE TO BE NEEDED,

PRIMARILY FOR MEETING EMERGENCY AND NUTRITIONAL NEEDS, AS

WELL AS FOR STIMULATING RURAL EMPLOYMENT THROUGH DEVELOPMENT

PROJECTS,

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STRESSING THE IMPORTANCE OF EVOLVING A LONGER-TERM

FOOD AID POLICY TO ENSURE A REASONABLE DEGREE OF CONTINUITY
IN PHYSICAL SUPPLIES,

NOTING THAT CONTRARY TO EARLIER EXPECTATIONS, THE
YEAR 1974 HAS FAILED TO BRING THE GOOD HARVEST NEEDED FOR
THE REPLENISHMENT OF STOCKS AND RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF A
REASONABLE DEGREE OF SECURITY IN WORLD FOOD SUPPLIES, AND
EXPRESSING CONCERN THAT MOST DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WILL NOT
BE ABLE TO FINANCE THEIR INCREASED FOOD IMPORT BILLS IN
THE IMMEDIATE PERIOD AHEAD,
STRESSING THAT
FOOD AID SHOULD BE PROVIDED IN FORMS
CONSONANT WITH THE SOVEREIGN RIGHTS OF NATIONS, NEITHER
INTERFERING WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES OF RECIPIENT
COUNTRIES NOR IMPOSING THE POLITICAL OBJECTIVES OF DONOR
COUNTRIES UPON THEM,

EMPHASIZING FURTHER THE PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE OF
ENSURING THAT FOOD AID IF PROVIDED IN FORMS WHICH ARE
VOLUNTARY IN NATURE AND ARE CONSISTENT WITH THE AGRICULTURAL
DEVELOPMENT PLANS OF RECIPIENT COUNTRIES WITH THE ULTIMATE
AIM OF PROMOTING THEIR LONG TERM DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS AND
ENSURING THAT IT DOES NOT ACT AS A DISINCENTIVE TO LOCAL
PRODUCTION AND CAUSE ADVERSE REPERCUSSIONS ON THE DOMESTIC
MARKET OR INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN PARTICULAR OF DEVELOPING
COUNTRIES,

TAKING NOTE OF U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION
AND IN PART-

ICULAR THOSE PARTS THAT RELATE TO DISASTER
PREPAREDNESS AND PRE-DISASTER PLANNING,

RECOGNIZING THE NEED TO INCREASE THE RESOURCES OF
THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME SO AS TO ENABLE IT TO PLAY A

GREATER AND MORE EFFECTIVE ROLE IN RENDERING DEVELOPMENT
ASSISTANCE TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN PROMOTING FOOD
SECURITY AND IN EMERGENCY OPERATIONS,

1. AFFIRMS THE NEED FOR CONTINUITY OF A MINIMUM
LEVEL OF FOOD AID IN PHYSICAL TERMS IN ORDER TO INSULATE
FOOD AID PROGRAMMES FROM THE EFFECTS OF EXCESSIVE FLUCUA-
TIONS IN PRODUCTION AND PRICES;

2. RECOMMENDS THAT ALL DONOR COUNTRIES ACCEPT AND
IMPLEMENT THE CONCEPT OF FORWARD PLANNING OF FOOD AID,
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MAKE ALL EFFORTS TO PROVIDE COMMODITIES AND/OR FINANCIAL
ASSISTANCE THAT WILL ENSURE IN PHYSICAL TERMS AT LEAST

TEN MILLION TONS OF GRAINS AS FOOD AID A YEAR STARTING FROM
1975, AND ALSO (TO) PROVIDE ADEQUATE QUNATITIES OF OTHER
FOOD COMMODITIES SUCH AS OILS, OILSEEDS, FISH AND DAIRY
PRODUCTS;

3. RECOMMEND

S THAT INTERESTED CEREALS EXPORTING AND IMPORTING COUNTRIES AS WELL AS CURRENT AND POTENTIAL FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTORS MEET AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO TAKE COGNIZANCE OF THE NEEDS AND TO CONSIDER WAYS AND MEANS TO INCREASE FOOD AVAILABILITY AND FINANCING FACILITIES DURING 1975 AND 1976, FOR THOSE MOST SERIOUSLY AFFECTED BY THE CURRENT FOOD PROBLEM;

4. REQUESTS ALL DONOR COUNTRIES TO (A) CHANNEL A MORE SIGNIFICANT PROPORTION OF FOOD AID THROUGH THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME, (B) CONSIDER INCREASING PROGRESSIVELY THE GRANT COMPONENT IN THEIR BILATERAL FOOD AID PROGRAMMES, (C) CONSIDER CONTRIBUTING PART OF ANY FOOD AID REPAYMENTS FOR SUPPLEMENTARY NUTRITION PROGRAMMES AND EMERGENCY PURCHASES FROM DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE.

5. RECOMMENDS THAT (APPROPRIATE INTERGOVERNMENTAL BODIES) BE ENTRUSTED WITH THE TASK OF FORMULATING PROPOSALS FOR MORE EFFECTIVE COORDINATION OF MULTILATERAL, BILATERAL AND NON-GOVERNMENTAL FOOD AID PROGRAMMES AND OF COORDINATING EMERGENCY FOOD AID.

6. RECOMMENDS THAT GOVERNMENTS, WHERE POSSIBLE, EARMARK STOCKS OR FUNDS FOR MEETING INTERNATIONAL EMERGENCY REQUIREMENTS, AS ENVISAGED IN THE PROPOSED INTERNATIONAL UNDERTAKING ON WORLD FOOD SECURITY, AND FURTHER RECOMMENDS THAT INTERNATIONAL GUIDELINES FOR SUCH EMERGENCY STOCKS BE DEVELOPED AS A PART OF THE INTERNATIONAL UNDERTAKING ON WORLD FOOD SECURITY TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE COORDINATION OF EMERGENCY STOCKS, AND TO ENSURE THAT FOOD (RELIEF) REACHES THE NEEDIEST AND MOST VULNERABLE GROUPS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

7. RECOMMENDS THAT A PART OF THE PROPOSED EMERGENCY STOCKS BE PLACED AT THE DISPOSAL OF THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME, ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS, IN ORDER TO INCREASE ITS CAPACITY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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